

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and to correct antecedent basis errors. Full examination and favorable action are requested.

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APPENDIX A: MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

- 1. Telephony system [including] comprising several payphones [(10,10',10")] connected to a set [(32)] of information servers via a communication network [(1) characterised in that] wherein at least one of the information servers is connected with Internet [(2)] and wherein [in that] each payphone [(10,10',10")] is equipped with Internet communication protocols (TCP/IP) complying with IETF technical guidelines.
- 2. System according to claim 1, <u>further comprising [characterised in that it includes]</u> a remote access server [(20)] able to put into communication all the payphones [(10,10',10'')] with the set [(32)] of the information servers by routing the information via Internet addresses through the said communication network [(1)].
- 3. System according to claim $\underline{1}$ [2], [characterised in that the] wherein said communication network is an analogue or digital switched telephone network [(1)].
- 4. System according to claim 1, [characterised in that] wherein the said communication network is the Internet, the said payphones [(10, 10', 10")] being also connected with Internet.
- 5. System according to claim 1 [to any of the claims 1 to 3], [characterised in that] further comprising an [one] communication interface [(31)] between the remote access server [(20)] and the set [(32)] of information servers [is] able to monitor, synchronise and regulate information exchange sessions between the payphones [(10,10',10'')] and the information servers [(331,332,341,342,343)].
- 6. System according to claim 5, [characterised in that] wherein the said information exchange session monitoring [consists in] comprises establishing a reliable and authenticated session between a payphone [(10,10',10")] and an information server [(331,332,341,342,343)] and in piloting and regulating the information exchange made via a standard file transfer complying with the Internet protocols.
- 7. System according to <u>claim 5</u> [one of the claims 5 or 6], [characterised in that] the said information exchange sessions include payphone management sessions between the management servers [(331,332)] and the payphones [(10,10',10'')].
- 8. System according to claim 7, [characterised in that] wherein the said management sessions include initialisation sessions for the payphones [(10,10',10")], daily reports, alarm reports, downloading of software programmes and/or files, report on transactions.

- 9. System according to claim 8, [characterised in that] wherein the said files include rate tables, configuration parameters, opposition or monitoring lists, files on the payphone status [(10,10',10")].
- 10. System according to <u>claim 7</u> [any of the claims 7 to 9], [characterised in that] <u>wherein</u> the said management servers [are made of] <u>comprise</u> a supervision server [(331)] and a software programme and/or file server [(332)].
- 11. System according to <u>claim 5</u> [any of the claims 5 to 10], [characterised in that] <u>wherein</u> the said information exchange sessions include sessions for providing services between servers of services [(341,342,343)] and the payphones [(10,10',10")].
- 12. System according to <u>claim 1</u> [any of the claims 1 to 11], [characterised in that] wherein the set [(32)] of information servers is arranged into a local network [(30)].
- 13. System according to <u>claim 11</u> [one of the claims 11 or 12], [characterised in that] <u>wherein</u> the said services [are] <u>comprise</u> on line services provided on Internet [(2)] or self-managed on the local network [(30)].
- 14. System according to claim 13, [characterised in that] wherein the said services provided on line include electronic mail, E-commerce.
- 15. System according to <u>claim 13</u> [to one of the claims 13 or 14], [characterised in that] <u>wherein</u> the said services provided online comprise the content of Web pages for which the hyperlinks are attached to the function keys of payphones [(10,10',10'')].
- 16. System according to <u>claim 13</u> [to one of the claims 13 to 15], [characterised in that] <u>wherein</u> the said services provided on the local network [(30)] include the horoscope, the weather forecast, municipal services [, etc].